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### BELLARMINE PREP—SAN JOSE

Bellarmino opened on September 5th with a total of 181 students, of whom 27 were boarders. New day scholars continued to come in until by the end of the second week the total was 202, a few less than last year's best.

Fr. Gerald Leahy has introduced setting-up exercises for the boarders. On rising all must step into the corridors and go through the paces under a director. Tardiness on rising is now regarded as tardiness for the morning exercise instead of tardiness for Mass, thus removing the odium from the Mass.

On September 5th, Fr. Ivan Fabris addressed Notre Dame Des Victoires Guild in San Francisco on "How Nature Tricks Selfishness."

A unique organization called "Bellarmine Dads' Club" was launched the evening of Sept. 12th. Apparently the inspiration of the students' fathers, but jesuitically instigated by Rev. Fr. McCann through a whispering campaign the movement got under way on "Dads' Night" last June and developed through the summer. The night of Sept 12th saw some 50 men gathered in the social hall keen for the idea. Officers were chosen, the slogan "Get Bellarmine Conscious" adopted, and definite objectives determined. Next day the first effects were seen when local editors, having been visited by a Club representative, took the initiative in getting publicity for Bellarmine.

### BROPHY COLLEGE—PHOENIX

During summer Father Madigan served as chaplain for five Reforestation Camps conducted by the United States Army in the most inaccessible parts of the high mountain region of Arizona. Each of the camps had an average of 200 youths, many of them Catholics. The army chaplain for the whole western area is Father Arnold;

the chaplain for this district is a Presbyterian minister. He started with seven boys and now has a hundred. If we don't take care of our boys, the Protestants will look to it.

Father Madigan made Flagstaff his headquarters and visited the camps by auto, at times with considerable difficulty. The commanding officers were quite cordial; one so much so, that he offered to have the mess-hall tables cleared after supper so that the mass might be said without delay. Confessions were heard after supper and mass was said next morning an hour before the time set for rising. The Catholics attending mass all went to Communion. The opportunity was not neglected at Flagstaff and in the vicinity to interest people in Catholic education. It was found, however, that most of the boys of Flagstaff who want a Catholic college education were heading for Moraga Valley, attracted by a popular Flagstaffian who is student-body president there.

### HOLLYWOOD

The Blessed Sacrament parishioners plan to put on a fiesta, October 9th to the 14th, under a big tent in the school yard. They hope thus to realize several thousand dollars to pay the taxes and some accumulated bills. One of the entries is a Chevrolet sedan with chances at twenty-five cents each.

### LOS ALTOS—EL RETIRO

Thus far this year, till Sept 16th, there have been 34 retreats for laymen at El Retiro with a total of 735 retreatants, an average of 21 to a retreat. This maintains the average of other years, despite the hard times. Among the retreatants this year were four Protestant ministers, two of them Baptists, one an Episcopalian, one a Methodist. Two retreats were given in July to the clergy of the Monterey-Fresno diocese.

Father Edward Whelan gave the retreat to the students of the upper division of St. Mary's College. He reports that Slip Madigan has plenty of huge, muscular reserves.

Mr. Michael McDonald, the police officer who was shot last month by a bandit in Crystal Market in San Francisco, had just returned to duty three days previously from El Retiro, where the retreat had in his case been a proximate preparation for death.

### LOS ANGELES—LOYOLA HIGH

Five hundred and eighteen boys are enrolled at Loyola, the Freshman class numbering one hundred and eighty-six, with more in sight. To this unexpected increase is due the summoning of Mr. Deasy from Phoenix. Mr. Preston took one look at the class schedule and passed a tridium in the hospital.

Most of the pews have been removed from the boys' chapel and opera chairs been put in their place. These are a gift of the Henry Welsh Guild, which has also collected more than six hundred dollars within the last six months to be used for scholarships. The raffle on tickets for Chicago netted over seven hundred and fifty dollars. A dinner is planned for October, to be served in the school cafeteria.

Loyola football players will meet a number of heavy teams this year, Oxnard, Covina, Taft, Cathedral and Hoover High of San Diego, only to mention some of them, and the coach expects to beat them all.

"Bring your Father" was the admission price paid by Loyola High students to the "Fathers' Night" show on September 20th. Father O'Connell, assisted by Coach Tassi and the Monogram Club put on a show that was a show. Among the vocal entertainers was Fred Klen, head of the music department of one of the leading stage circuits. Laughs were tossed to the crowd by Jimmy Mack, an ancient comedian. Talks were given by Judge Nye, Marty Malone, president of the Holy Name Society, and by Mr. Patrick Coony. Boys from athletic clubs of the city engaged in four three-round bouts. Mr. George Breslin, president of the Loyola Retreat Association, was Master of Ceremonies.

### LOS ANGELES—LOYOLA UNIVERSITY

August 24th, Fr. Harold Ring, S. J., president of Loyola High School, invited

the faculty of Loyola University to a dinner in honor of Fr. Henry A. Gabriel, S. J., whose Golden Jubilee in the Society was celebrated at the university August 19th. This year Father Gabriel is teaching all the mathematics to the students of engineering.

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A half life-size crucifix surmounts a shrine lately erected on the university campus on the highest spot of the plateau near the site of the proposed chapel. A green lawn, the work of Brother Pereira, surrounds the shrine which faces the faculty and administration buildings. The silhouette of the crucifix can be seen from a long distance on Jefferson and on Culver boulevards.

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Mr. Forrest Major is the new director of the University band. Mr. Major, directing a band of ninety boys in Cleveland, won several concert competitions. Added to the band this year is a freshman drum-major, Jack Dempsey, whose skill with a baton is ambidextrous.

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Mr. Nicholas Devereux is in charge of the Loyola Glee Club. Mr. Devereux is the brother of George Devereux, glee-club director of St. Louis University and organist of St. Francis Xavier's Church, St. Louis.

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Mr. Patrick Gaynor, English professor at Loyola, arranged a program over station KTM, Sunday, August 27th, to commemorate the centenary of the beginning of the Oxford Tractarian Movement. Fr. Russell of Long Beach was invited to speak on Newman's poem, "The Dream of Gerontius"; Fr. Walter Semeria, S. J., spoke on "The Four Doubtful Years," the period preceding Newman's conversion; Bernard Gianini, president of the student-body, spoke on "Newman from the Student's Viewpoint." The University Glee-Club rendered poems by Newman adapted to music.

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The present enrollment of the university is 382 students; 158 Freshmen; 112 Sophomores; 64 Juniors; 48 Seniors. These figures do not include the student-body of the College of Law. At least 50 applicants were refused admittance to the Colleges of Arts and Science because of insufficient credits.

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The College of Law of Loyola University has obtained the modern downtown



quarters formerly occupied by the Los Angeles Realty Board at 1137 South Grand Avenue. Since the removal of the university to the Del Rey campus the Law School has occupied a downtown location at Third and Broadway. When more spacious accommodations became necessary Fr. Joseph Donovan, S. J., Regent, and Joseph Scott, Dean, negotiated for the new and more spacious location. The New Law School is within easy distance of the public library, the county law library and the courts of the various jurisdictions. An unofficial report has it that this year's registration, as yet incomplete, will be greater than last year's.

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On Sunday, September 17th, an alumni gathering was held on the university campus. About 500 members of the alumni assembled for the informal luncheon and the football practice. Fathers Vaughan and Connolly addressed the gathering. Speeches were also delivered by the president of the Alumni Association, Leo Rosecrans; Henry Bodkin, former president; James Donovan, secretary; Vic Lawler, Graduate-manager of athletics. Several old St. Vincent's men were also called upon for a few words.

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Father Joseph Vaughan is continuing his radio lectures over Station KMPC every Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 8:45 p. m. Recently officials of that studio offered to connect the University to their broadcasting apparatus by a private wire and expressed their willingness to broadcast programs arranged by the university.

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The Sodality of the Blessed Virgin held its first assembly Thursday, Sept. 21st. Weekly meetings are held every Thursday of the academic year. At the first meeting plans were laid for Boy Work activities and Sociology Field Work. Mass is held every Friday morning of the school year at 7:30 a. m. for the day students and daily at 7:00 a. m. for the boarders. A "B" average in their studies and a participating interest in Sodality activities must be maintained by all Sodalists.

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During the week of September 17th, the tennis courts built during the summer were macadamized. A macadamized floor was also laid for a basketball court and handball alleys.

## LOS GATOS

Emmanuel Muscat, coadjutor postulant, entered the Novitiate from San Francisco September 3rd. Previous to this time, but of recent date, have come Brothers Francis D. Arture of Los Angeles; Joseph A. Connolly, of Oakland; Michael Dirrane, of San Francisco; and Michael Walsh of Belmont, all coadjutor postulants.

Father Hubbard, coming to the Novitiate September 8th, presented his talkie picture, "Aniakchak," to the community in the junior's auditorium. The feature was prefaced by a few remarks from Father Hubbard. Needless to say, the production was greeted with hearty approval and provided a happy close to the already consoling vow day.

Rt. Rev. Joseph Schrembs, Bishop of Cleveland and Toledo, visited the Novitiate September 8th. After dinner the juniors were assembled in their auditorium, not to hear a few words by way of salutation, and then receive the bishop's blessing, but to give ear to an unexpected spiritual treat, an account of Theresa Neumann, which breathed simplicity, sincerity and a spirit of genuineness that drove home the truth of his words; for the bishop had the privilege of having paid a personal visit to Theresa Neumann. The traditional holiday put a smiling conclusion to His Excellency's discourse.

Father Gianera made his annual retreat here early in September. Before entering upon the retreat he addressed a few words on studies to the juniors of both years, stressing the need of a practical background in the Latin classics and the value of co-relating the principal subjects of the juniorate.

First simple vows of the scholastics were pronounced on the Feast of the Nativity of our Blessed Lady, September 8th, by Brothers Richard J. Scanell, S. J.; Philip J. Oliger, S. J.; Louis J. Dowd, S. J.; John P. Comiskey, S. J.; J. Walshe Murray, S. J.; James E. Fleming, S. J.; and Joaquin A. Fraters, S. J. Father Rector received their vows at the Community Mass.

Perseverance Shrine now rules over our vocations from a more exalted throne, since the juniors have cut into the hillside, fashioning out a circular plateau on which they have erected the statue of Our Lady. Cypress trees are to provide a worthy background to the setting. A bridge, spanning the hollow, will join the shrine with the front drive,

thus enabling visitors to pay their respects to our Lady of Perseverance.

Since September 1st ten new scholastic postulants have entered the Novitiate; Robert P. Butler, Los Angeles College, arriving on the 4th of September, and the following nine on the 7th: Frank Linne Lucas, University of California; Raymund F. Wood, St. Patrick's Seminary, Menlo Park; Frank B. Ford and Raymond I. O'Brien, St. Ignatius High; Alexander A. Tait, Cathedral High, Los Angeles; Clarence E. Crews, James F. Jacobs and Carl H. Hayn, Loyola High; and James M. Kiesewetter, Los Angeles College. Those entering on the 7th received their cassocks Wednesday, September 20th.

### SANTA BARBARA

Our schools opened for the new semester with an enrollment of 365 boys and girls in the grade school, and 75 girls in the high school. Unfortunately, the ninth grade for boys, the only provision heretofore for our Catholic boys of high school age, had to be discontinued because of the financial stringency.

Preliminary arrangements are being made for the annual tax drive. This year the objective is \$3500, an amount actually less than is required, but it was thought prudent for the psychological effect to propose a sum which we might reasonably hope to attain. There have been times when our taxes were much higher, but with the lowering under the law of the county assessment, we are hoping that we shall not be left deep in the hole when the drive is over. This is to last three days according to announcement, but as a matter of fact will go on for a week.

### SANTA CLARA

The annual Mass of the Holy Ghost was celebrated in the Mission Church in presence of the assembled students and Faculties. Father Rector was celebrant, assisted by Father Hugh Donovan and Mr. W. Crowley. Father Cody of San Francisco preached the sermon.

Father Mark Falvey was the guest of honor at a dinner tendered him before his departure for China. The philosophers gave an entertainment in the evening in the house library. Father McNally was transferred from the teaching staff to the parish as successor to Father Falvey.

The Faculty Club held their first meeting of the year and speakers on

timely topics were promised for the ensuing meetings. The Catala Club is listening with interest to Father Gilbert, his lectures on botany having attracted many flower lovers from the valley.

Father Gianera with Professor Owens, Dean of the Law School, attended the meeting of the California Bar Association at Del Monte. Fathers Woods and Donovan assisted in hearing confessions of the clergy at the close of the retreat at St. Patrick's Seminary.

Though delayed by a mistaken phone-call, Father Coghlan fortunately arrived in time to attend his brother's last moments at Fresno.

### ST. IGNATIUS, SAN FRANCISCO

On Sunday night, September 3rd, Father Mark Falvey and Brother James Finnegan left San Francisco for Portland, where they set out for China on the 6th of the month.

For years mass has been celebrated at La Honda in a dance hall; this year the first open-air mass was largely attended, and Father White preached on the occasion.

Father Provincial paid a visit to the high school and expressed his satisfaction at the efficient manner in which it is conducted.

### ST. JOSEPH'S, SAN JOSE

The Mass of the Holy Ghost for the new school year was offered on September 13th. The combined schools of St. Joseph's High, Notre Dame High, and St. Joseph's Grammar practically filled the church.

The registration for St. Joseph's High is none too good; there are some thirteen in each of the lower classes, and some twenty-six in the senior class.

### VARIA

Mr. John Collins had to return from Rome on account of ill health. He is continuing his studies at St. Mary's, Kansas.

Fr. Albert Casey is making his tertianship at St. Andra, Lavanttal, Karnten, Austria.

### DEATHS IN THE ASSISTANCY

Father Henry C. Longo, Poughkeepsie, New York, September 11th, 1933.

### DEATHS OF RELATIVES

A brother of Father Arthur Coghlan. The father of Brother Oliver Goulet. The father of Father Adrian McCormick.